all down. The Quezon political machine works smoothly and efficiently in all parts of the Islands. It is well organized and financed. If in the United States Quezon proved himself to be a diplomat and an advocate, in the Philippines he proved himself to be a skilful and resourceful politician.

One reason for Quezon's political success has been that as a public speaker he has no peer and is thus able to attract immense audiences. He is capable of speaking fluently either in English, Spanish, or Tagalog, as the exigencies of the situation demand. He is equally at home before critical listeners of the upper crust and a Tondo mass-meeting of the common people. His voice is not strong, in fact it is harsh and grating. It is his dynamic force, his earnestness, and his eloquence, coupled with an ability to coin daring phrases, that capture his listeners. When he pungently said, "Better a government run like hell by the Filipinos than one run like heaven by the Americans," it was a typical Quezonian remark intended to attract attention to his theme. In debate, whether on the rostrum or in private conference, Quezon is quick and adroit, as I have learned to my discomfiture j but when he finds that he is wrong he will frankly admit it. In my opinion, Quezon should be classed as the foremost public speaker of his race.

Enemies have not been lacking to call Quezon a slick and clever politician, neurotic and temperamental, vain and capricious, and an opportunist athirst for power. This, of course, can only mean that Quezon, with all his faults, is inescapably

versatile and brilliant. He defends himself by saying that he has "never been dazzled by the glitter of power," and I for one believe him. On the other hand, he is a great showman and thrives on a place in the limelight. From early morning to late at night, his home is crowded by high and low, and picture as he may his humble nature, the truth is that he glories in his ability to exercise the almost royal gesture of life and death over his people. He is made that way.

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